Chief, Buildings Maintenance & Utilities Div.

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Chief, Fiscal Division

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Installation of Exhaust Fans



1. Under date of 10 May 1951, your office issued Form No. 10-292, Request For Work To Be Performed, to GSA calling for the installation of exhaust fans on the roof of to create a "Breeze cooling" system, at an approximate cost to CIA of \$10,000.

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- 2. 40 U.S. Code 317 provides, in part, that, unless specifically so provided, appropriations, other than appropriations to the Administrator of General Services, shall not be available for the purchase or installation of electric fams or air conditioning equipment in Government-owned or leased buildings in the District of Columbia. The restriction does not apply to ventilating and temperature and hamidity control equipment for special laboratory, scientific and research purposes; however, in such cases, GSA takes over maintenance, custody and control without exchange of funds.
- 3. It will be appreciated if information is furnished this office in clarification of the question as to whether the work to be performed is contrary to the provisions of 40 U.S. Code 317.

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